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B. NATO 6548 DTG 071603Z JUL 77

1. WE FEEL THAT FRG ABANDONMENT OF STEP-BY-STEP APPROACH
REMOVES MAJOR ROADBLOCK TO ALLIANCE APPROVAL AND THAT, AS
MISSION HAS SUGGESTED, SPC CAN COMPLETE WORK ON GUIDANCE
NEXT WEEK. OUR COMMENTS ON SPECIFIC POINTS RAISED REFTELS
FOLLOW.

2. WE CAN ACCEPT DEFINITION OF "PARALLEL" IN FOOTNOTE
ALONG LINES PROPOSED BY BELGIAN REP (REF A, PARA 2).

3. WE CAN ACCEPT THE WORD "PROGRESSIVE" IN PARA 1 OF DRAFT
GUIDANCE IN VIEW OF FRG UNDERSTANDING THAT TERM IMPLIES
GROUND MANPOWER DATA CAN, IF NECESSARY, BE TABLED AT ONE
TIME.

4. WE AGREE THAT PHRASE "AT AN APPROPRIATE TIME" IN SUB-
PARA ON DIVISIONS BE RETAINED PER PARAS 3 AND 4, REF A.

5. OUR VIEWS ON DATA TO BE ANNEXED TO DRAFT GUIDANCE AND
LANGUAGE TO BE INSERTED ON PREFERRED METHOD OF DISAGGREGA-
TING AIR MANPOWER BEING TRANSMITTED SEPTEL.

6. RE SUGGESTION IN PARA 11, REF A, YOU SHOULD NOT RAISE
THE ISSUE OF REDUCING THE NUMBER OF NATO HEADQUARTERS.

7. RE MC REP'S SUGGESTED PHRASE "INDEPENDENT COMBAT
FORMATIONS", WE DO NOT WANT TO APPROVE AT THIS TIME AN
EXCHANGE OF DATA ON UNITS SMALLER THAN DIVISIONS AND VIEW
THIS PHRASE AS UNNECESSARY. (WE ARE, HOWEVER, AGREEABLE
TO INCLUSION OF THE CANADIAN BATTLE GROUP AS A MAJOR UNIT
AS AN EXCEPTION TO THE RULE IF THE CANADIANS PREFER.)

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8. GIVEN THE IMMINENCE OF SCHMIDT VISIT HERE, WE WOULD
LIKE TO SEE SPC COMPLETE WORK ON GUIDANCE FOR AHG BY EARLY
NEXT WEEK. VANCE

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